LIVESTOCK—IMPROVEMENT OF—REPORT OF DR. MILLEN

516. Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) why was Dr. Millen of the Allahabad Agricultural Institution got down here by the Government;

(*b*) has he submitted any report after visiting the various parts of the State;

(*c*) if so, what are his suggestions;

(*d*) of the suggestions, what all had been acted up to by the Government and with what results?

Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Chief Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) Dr. Millen came to examine and report on the possibilities of improvements of live-stock in the State after a local study of the connected problems.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) A copy of his report is placed on the Council Table.

(*d*) It is proposed to place his suggestions before the Post-war Reconstruction committees along with the schemes formulated in regard to improvement of livestock in the State.

AIR-RAID SHELTERS—REMOVAL OF

517. Dr. S. S. Rao *(Nominated):* Will Government be pleased to state whether orders have been issued for the demolishing and removal of the existing air-raid protection shelters on the public roads of Mattancheri?

Mr. B. V. K. Menon *(Secretary to Government):*

Yes, all the air-raid shelters standing in the Public roads have been demolished by the Municipality.

ARTICLES IN THE "SATHYANATHAM", DATED 18TH AUGUST 1945

518. Mr. P. T. Jacob *(Latin Christians-Mattancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they have noticed an article in the "Sathianadam", dated 18th August 1945 regarding the rejections of claims of voters of the Mattancheri Municipality;

(*b*) whether Government have conducted any enquiry in the matter and if the allegations contained therein are true, have the Government taken any action to rectify them?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Government conducted an enquiry but since the orders passed by the Revising Authority are final, Government could not do anything further in the matter.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. ടി ജേക്കബ്ബ്: ഇങ്ങിനെ യാതൊന്നും ഗവൺമെണ്ട് ചെയ്യുന്നില്ലെന്ന പറഞ്ഞു. ഇനിമേലാലുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെ സംബന്ധിച്ച് എന്തെങ്കിലും ചെയ്യുകൊടുക്കാമൊ?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* Yes.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. ടി. ജേക്കബ്ബ്: സംശയം തോന്നാത്ത നിലയിൽ, വേണ്ടത്ര നിഷ്കൃഷ്ട ഈ കാര്യത്തിൽ എടുക്കുമെന്നുള്ളതു തീച്ചയാണൊ?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* Every possible protection will be given.

ERNAKULAM BOAT JETTY LATRINE—INSANITARY CONDITION OF

519. Mr. M. I. Paul *(Narakkal):* Will Government be pleased to state whether the Government have had any occasion to visit and to note the ugly and insanitary condition of the latrine at the Ernakulam boat Jetty?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):*

No. The latrine under reference is being inspected by the Health Authorities daily and it is kept in a neat and sanitary condition. Scavenging is being done twice daily to prevent nuisance. It was originally a septic tank latrine with flushing arrangements and as it did not function properly it was converted into bucket latrine with slight structural alterations. Its present condition cannot be said to be either ugly or insanitary.

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Mr. M. I. Paul *(Narakkal):* May I know whether the Government have not visited and noted the unsatisfactory condition of the latrine.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* The Municipal Commissioner has visited the place and submitted a report.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* The words are properly and correctly used. It was originally as printed here an "asceptic tank".

Mr. President: The printing is not done by the Government but by the Legislative Council Office. I have already called the attention of the Secretary to the disgraceful number of mis-prints in the proceedings of the Council.

മിസ്റ്റർ പി. മാണി: Septic tank latrines ശരിക്ക വക്ക ചെയ്യാഞ്ഞതുകൊണ്ടാണോ ബക്കറ്റ കൊടുത്തത്?

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. ജെ. മാത്യു: Septic tank ശരിക്ക് വക്ക ചെയ്തിരുന്നില്ല. അതുകൊണ്ടതന്നെയാണ് ബക്കറ്റകൊടുത്തത്.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* May I know what was wrong with this septic tank latrine that was originally there?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* For one thing there should be a continuous water-supply. We have no continuous water-supply in Ernakulam. Another thing is that people who utilise these latrines also should do certain things for keeping it clean and it is found in practice that they do not actually attend to these small things and so it is found difficult to keep these latrines in perfect order, unless you have an attendant always on the premises. I have proposed to Government that in places where there are septic tank latrines, an attendant may be appointed to see that it is kept in proper order. These are things which require attention and the general public who are not accustomed to these things may not know it. That is the reason why many of our septic tank latrines which are used by the public are in an insanitary condition.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* May I know, Sir, the reason for replacing this septic tank latrine by the bucket system? Is it due to the difficulty in having a full time attendant?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* That question was not raised. The general public know fairly well how to keep these bucket latrines in order and there was no trouble. So we converted this latrine into bucket latrine. Now if you want to re-instate that system, I think it will be better to have a full time attendant also to attend to the duties in the proper time.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Was the reason for the replacement of the septic tank latrine system by the bucket system the nonavailability or the difficulty of having an attendant as stated by the Hon'ble Member?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* That was not the reason. This aspect was not considered.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Will the Government be pleased to consider the question of restoring the septic tank latrine system even with a full time attendant because that is known to be a better system.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* I have proposed to Government to appoint full time men for this purpose.

Mr. P. K. Dewer *(Nominated):* May I know whether the Government have seen articles in the papers regarding the insanitary condition of this latrine?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* That is why the matter was enquired into.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* May I know whether the Government have made an enquiry independant of the Municipality?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* No.

Mr. L. M. Pylee *(Latin Christians-Ernakulam):* Who is the immediate authority in charge of these latrines?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* The Municipal Commissioner, the Sanitary Inspectors and the Maistries.

Mr. M. I. Paul *(Narakkal):* Was it done with the previous notice of the Sanitary Inspector? May I know whether the Government are fully satisfied with the present condition of the latrine?

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Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* The Municipal Commissioner says that it is sanitary.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Do you expect the Sanitary staff of the Municipality to say that the condition of the latrine is unsatisfactory.

Mr. C. J Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* The Municipal Commissioner is not a sanitary subordinate staff.

Mr. L. M. Pylee *(Latin Christians-Ernakulam):* The passengers crossing by the ferry boat from Mattancheri to this side do feel this awful nuisance because of the stunch emanating from this latrine.

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* Government will certainly look into the matter.

Mr. P. K. Dewer *(Nominated):* Will the Hon'ble Secretary to Government be pleased to personally do it?

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* May I know whether the Commissioner of the Municipality personally visited the latrine ?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Secretary to Government):* I believe he has.

മിസ്സിസ്സ് ടി. ഫ്രാൻസിസ്സ്: അതു ശരിപ്പെടുത്തുവാൻ നോക്കാമൊ?

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. ജെ മാത്യു: നോക്കാം.

മിസ്സിസ്സ് ടി. ഫ്രാൻസിസ്സ്: ബക്കറെ സിസ്റ്റംമൂലം ഈച്ചകൾ വർദ്ധിച്ചു പകർച്ച വ്യാധികൾ ഉണ്ടാകുന്നതിനു കാരണമാകുമെന്നു ഗവണ്മെണ്ടു മനസ്സിലാക്കിട്ടുണ്ടൊ?

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. ജെ. മാത്യു: ഉവ്വ്. പക്ഷെ ഒരു ദിവസം രണ്ടുനേരം ബക്കറ് ക്ലീൻചെയ്യാൽ ഈച്ചയുടെ അലോഹ്യം കുറയും.

COPYIST ESTABLISHMENT—LAND RECORDS OFFICE

520. Mr. P. A. Muhammed Ashrof *(Cranganur) :* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of posts in the copyist establishment of the Land Records Office ;

(*b*) the number of vacancies occurred in the Copyist Establishment of the Land Records Office in 1119, 1120 and 1121 (up to the end of Dhanu) ;

(*c*) who fills up to the vacancies of copyist-whether the Staff Selection Board or the Government or the Department Head ;

(*d*) what is the minimum qualification prescribed for appointment as a copyist in the Land Records Office ;

(*e*) whether any village Menons have been appointed from the Revenue Department to fill up the vacancy of copyist of the Land Records Office ;

(*f*) if the answer to (e) is in the affirmative who appointed them ?

Rao Sahib A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):*

(*a*) 3.

(*b*) In 1119 3
In 1120 2
In 1121 (up to the end of Dhanu) .. 2

(*c*) Government on the recommendation of the Staff Selection Board.

(*d*) Practical experience and Chain Survey Test.

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) Government, on the recommendation of the Staff Selection Board.

FOOD ADVSORY BOARD

521. മിസ്റ്റർ ജൊസ് കെ. വഗീസ്: താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു ഗവണ്മെണ്ട് സദയം മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

(എ) ഫുഡ് അഡ്വൈസറി ബോർഡിലേക്കു കോമേഴ്സ് മെമ്പരേയും, ജെന്മിമെമ്പരേയും ചേർക്കാതെ ഇരിക്കാൻ വല്ല പ്രത്യേക കാരണങ്ങളും ഉണ്ടോ ;

(ബി) ഈ മെമ്പർമാരുടെ സാന്നിദ്ധ്യം ആവശ്യമാണെന്നു ഗവണ്മെണ്ടിനു തോന്നാഞ്ഞതെന്തുകൊണ്ടാണു ;

(സി) വക്കീൽമാരു ഈ ബോർഡിൽ ഇത്ര അധികം പ്രാധാന്യം കൊടുക്കുവാൻ വല്ല പ്രത്യേക കാരണങ്ങളും ഉണ്ടോ ?

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